TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



SB 8006

August 10, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes a presumption of gross negligence for defendants who knowingly violate public health orders, disregard public health guidelines, conceal information which a reasonable person would disclose, or do not review applicable public health guidelines, to be utilized in connection with civil actions alleging loss, damage, injury, or death arising from exposure to or contraction of COVID-19.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- It is assumed that state and local governments have not acted with gross negligence and therefore would maintain liability immunity.
- Any impact resulting from this legislation will be borne by private parties to civil actions.
- This legislation will not significantly impact courts' caseloads.
- Therefore, enactment of this legislation will not result in a significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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